

Senior Cup replay is so unpredictable

WYCOMBE WANDERERS challenge a British Colleges XI at Loakes Park tonight (Friday, 7.30 p.m.), as a prelude to Monday's unpredictable Berks and Bucks Senior Cup final replay against old adversaries, Slough Town, at Marlow (7.45 p.m.).

In the interim, manager Brian Lee re-assembles his squad after Wednesday night's representative commitments. John Delaney, Ted Powell and Paul Fuschillo were involved in Great Britain's disappointing 5-0 Olympic defeat in Bulgaria.

And Tony Horseman, Keith Searle, Keith Blunt, Bernie Bremer and Geoff Anthony all played for the Isthmian League side beaten 3-2 by their Athenian counterparts at Wycombe. A Woffinden (Lewes) hat-trick proved decisive despite goals from Searle and Bremer. (Full report in 'Mid-week').

SHARPENED

Slough, who met Hemel Hempstead Town in the Premier Floodlight League last night, will meanwhile be sharpening up via their Athenian League clash with Premier Division champions, Dagenham, tomorrow evening.

But, after the 120-minute goalless deadlock at Reading, the Senior Cup is still delicately poised and the replay could go either way.

On Tuesday, Wycombe's hard-worked players see action again, this time versus Combined Universities for the Westminster Hospital Cup at Loakes Park.

Both defender Iain MacLean and 'keeper Kevin O'Brien come off the casualty list tonight and face the Colleges—a side drawn from ten specialist colleges of physical education throughout the United Kingdom.

The side has been picked following an inter-college tournament at Loughborough, won by the home team. Hayes also meet the colleges, who include a complete eleven of former schoolboy 'caps'.

AN EXTRA CLUB

THE Isthmian League will include 21 clubs next season, instead of the present limit of 20. A third top Athenian League club, Hayes F.C., were elected to the competition last week, to join other newcomers, Bishop's Stortford and Basingstoke Rovers.

Thus the Athenians, whose plan to increase their Premier Division by four extra clubs seems to have backfired, are left with something of a re-organisation problem.

With Spartan Leaguers, Hampton and Staines already certain to join them, it is now a question of whether more clubs will have to be promoted through the divisions, and this could mean a place in Division One after all for Marlow, despite their disappointing failure at Hemel Hempstead on Saturday.

The Isthmians will be altering their constitution to incorporate the change to 21 member clubs at their forthcoming annual meeting.